NEVADA ALTERNATIVE FUEL VEHICLE INCENTIVES AND LAWS



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Overview

The only state incentive for alternative fuel vehicles (AFVs) in Nevada is the private fleet incentive program. The incentive program is offered by the Nevada State Energy Office to fleets in the Las Vegas area, and will pay for all but \$1,500 per vehicle for the conversion to natural gas of up to two vehicles per fleet.

Highlights

\$ In the Las Vegas area, the Nevada State Energy Office Fleet Incentive program will pay the remainder of the natural gas conversion cost after the fleet owner has paid the first \$1,500 per vehicle - limit is two vehicles per fleet

State Incentives

- \$ Under the direction of the Nevada State Energy Office through a pilot grant from the U.S. Department of Energy, the Clark County Department of Comprehensive Planning will be responsible for administering the private fleet incentive program. The goals of the incentive program are:
 - To have 25 private fleet natural gas vehicles (NGVs), whether conversion or factory purchase, operating in the Las Vegas area.
 - To have private fleet vehicles use the three existing public access fueling sites.
 - To increase the use of natural gas by 30,000 equivalent gallons annually.

A total of \$156,700 is available for incentives on a first-come first-served basis, and limited to two vehicles per fleet. To qualify for the incentive program, the fleet must meet the following criteria:

- Must not be a government or utility fleet.
- The fleet must agree to pay the first \$1,500 of the conversion. (The incentive program will cover the conversion costs that exceed \$1,500. For example, if the conversion costs are \$4,000, the fleet pays the first \$1,500 and the incentive program pays the balance of \$2,500.)
- Minimum of 70% natural gas utilization or 500 gallons per year.
- Minimum of three years of planned natural gas use.
- Proximity of fleet location to existing public access fueling sites.
- Semi-annual reporting of fuel use.

For more information on the incentive program, contact Dennis Ransel, Alternative Fuel Specialist, Clark County Department of Comprehensive Planning, at (702) 455-4181.

Utility/Private Incentives

<u>Sierra Pacific Power</u> provides a fueling station, but does not have any incentives or rebates. For more information, contact Woody Miller at (702) 689-3931.

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Laws & Regulations

The state has adopted California Air Resource Board (CARB) alternative fuels standards and has created the following schedule for acquisition or conversion of fleet vehicles to clean fuels:

 1995
 10%

 1996
 15%

 1997
 25%

 1998
 50%

 1999
 75%

 2000
 90%

 (and each year thereafter)

Effective July 1, 1995, the tax on compressed natural gas (CNG) is 6.7ϕ /gallon and 9ϕ /gallon for liquefied petroleum gas (LPG).

State and local fleets in Washoe and Clark County are required to use alternative fuels beginning in fiscal year 1995.

Clean alternative fuel must be phased in, beginning in 1995, in fleets of 10 or more vehicles operated by state and local agencies in areas having a population of 100,000 or more.

The fleet program provides for a credit system for the acquisition of AFVs in excess of the requirements set forth in regulations.

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